

Robert Menzies College Media Release

New Master and Board Chair Appointed

The Board of Robert Menzies College (RMC) is delighted to announce the appointment of the Reverend Dr Peter Davis as the sixth Master of the College, following the decision by Bruce Pollard to leave the College after six years.

Dr Davis brings a wealth of experience in ministry and tertiary education to the role. He is currently Academic Director and Head of Theology at Excelsia College and also an Adjunct Lecturer at Charles Sturt University. Prior to this he spent 18 years in ministry with the Uniting Church, including 15 years as minister at Pittwater Uniting Church which was created through his leadership in the successful amalgamation of Mona Vale, Narrabeen and Elanora Heights Uniting Churches.

Peter is thoughtful and strategic, with a strong focus on collaboration and care for others. He has a real passion for ministry and education, and is committed to the social significance of the higher education sector and the importance of lifelong learning.

He holds a Doctor of Theology from Sydney College of Divinity, after achieving a bachelor's degree at Moore Theological College. In addition, Peter holds Masters Degrees in Tertiary Education Management, and in Professional Education and Training.

Peter currently lives on the Northern Beaches with his wife, Jen, and in his spare time loves reading, cooking, bushwalking, writing and any kind of sport. Peter will take up his appointment as Master of the College in early 2018.

In addition, the Board of RMC advises that David Barnett is retiring as Chair effective 31 December 2017.

David has served the College with distinction as a director since 2007 and most recently as Chair of the Board since 2014. His wisdom, insight, Christian witness and good humour have been of immense value to the board as the College has expanded from 200 to 300 students.

Nicola Warwick-Mayo has been elected as Chair of the Board effective from 1 January 2018. Nicola has been a member of the board of the College and the Finance Committee since 2010 and has also served as Deputy Chair since 2014. Nicola has over 25 years' experience in financial management and audit, and is a Fellow of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand and the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

The Board would also like to thank the outgoing Master of the College, Bruce Pollard, for his successful tenure, Christian ministry and strong pastoral and academic focus.

Photo provided of Dr Peter Davis.

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